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should be granted as originally requested; and,

- (3) Returns the instrument of authorization.
- (e) The Commission will designate an application for a formal hearing, specifying with particularity the matters and things in issue, if, upon consideration of the application, any pleadings or objections filed, or other matters which may be officially noticed, the Commission determines that:
- (1) A substantial and material question of fact is presented (see also section 1.2108 of this chapter);
- (2) The Commission is unable for any reason to make the findings specified in paragraph (a) of this section and the application is acceptable for filing, complete, and in accordance with the Commission's rules, regulations, and other requirements; or
- (3) The application is entitled to concurrent consideration (under section 27.321) with another application (or applications).
- (f) The Commission may grant, deny or take other action with respect to an application designated for a formal hearing pursuant to paragraph (e) of this section or part 1 of this chapter.
- (g) Reconsideration or review of any final action taken by the Commission will be in accordance with part 1, subpart A of this chapter.

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§27.324 Transfer of control or assignment of station authorization.

- (a) Authorizations shall be transferred or assigned to another party, voluntarily (for example, by contract) or involuntarily (for example, by death, bankruptcy, or legal disability), directly or indirectly or by transfer of control of any corporation holding such authorization, only upon application and approval by the Commission. A transfer of control or assignment of station authorization in the Wireless Communications Service is also subject to section 27.209.
- (1) A change from less than 50% ownership to 50% or more ownership shall always be considered a transfer of control.
- (2) In other situations a controlling interest shall be determined on a case-

by-case basis considering the distribution of ownership, and the relationships of the owners, including family relationships.

- (b) Form required:
- (1) Assignment.
- (i) FCC Form 490 shall be filed to assign a license or permit.
- (ii) In the case of involuntary assignment, FCC Form 490 shall be filed within 30 days of the event causing the assignment.
 - (2) Transfer of control.
- (i) FCC Form 490 shall be submitted in order to transfer control of a corporation holding a license or permit.
- (ii) In the case of involuntary transfer of control, FCC Form 490 shall be filed within 30 days of the event causing the transfer.
- (3) Notification of completion. The Commission shall be notified by letter of the date of completion of the assignment or transfer of control.
- (4) If the transfer of control of a license is approved, the new licensee is held to the original renewal requirement of §27.14.
- (c) In acting upon applications for transfer of control or assignment, the Commission will not consider whether the public interest, convenience, and necessity might be served by the transfer or assignment of the authorization to a person other than the proposed transferee or assignee.
- (d) Applicants seeking to transfer their licenses within three years after the initial license grant date are required to file, together with their transfer application, the associated contracts for sale, option agreements, management agreements, and all other documents disclosing the total consideration to be received in return for the transfer of the license.
- (e) Partial assignment of authorization. If the authorization for some, but not all, of the facilities of a Wireless Communications Service station is assigned to another party, voluntarily or involuntarily, such action is a partial assignment of authorization.
- (f) To request FCC approval of a partial assignment of authorization, the following must be filed in addition to the forms required by paragraph (b) of this section: